

## Find It Virginia for the English Language Learner

For tutors and/or students with access to computers and computer literacy skills

- 1. Rocket Languages (accessed with a library card)
  - Found at <a href="https://www.finditva.com">www.finditva.com</a> on the High School, 18+ and Index pages.
  - Online, self-paced, English learning in two languages: Spanish and Chinese.
  - Online, self-paced, English learning in low-lexile English for those with basic English speaking skills.
  - Best used in an environment in which a student can practice speaking aloud—requiring a microphone enabled device.
- 2. **Readit!** is an information database where tutors and students can find short articles on topical subjects to read and discuss (no library card required in Virginia)
  - Found at your library's website or at <a href="https://www.finditva.com">www.finditva.com</a> on Middle School, High School, 18+ and Index pages.
  - Translate feature: translate any article into any language using the "translate" button for comparison exercises and independent learning.
  - Low-lexile content on Civics and Culture, Life Skills (including citizenship requirements, currency, etc),
    Literature and Science.
  - "Listen" feature highlights text being read as it moves through the screen (although it is robotic and reads titles and sidebars as well, which is sometimes confusing).
  - Useful downloadable/printable student worksheets, reference guides as well as a thorough description of features.
- 3. **Universal Class** is an online learning platform that must be accessed through your library's website (requires a library card)
  - Classes are self-paced and may be taken independently or with a tutor.
  - Classes include ESL Basic Grammar, ESL Basic Writing Skills, and ESL Grammar Skills courses 1 through 5.
  - Includes a US Citizenship test preparation course.
  - Courses are all in English with both written and video presentations of the material.

Questions? Contact your local public library or contact Nan Carmack at <a href="mailto:nan.carmack@lva.virginia.gov">nan.carmack@lva.virginia.gov</a> / 804-692-3792.

## **Common Abbreviations:**

ELL: English Language Learner ESL: English as a Second Language ESOL: English for Speakers of other Languages



